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OFFICE OF
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Mr. Michael Morisy
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RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2013-004448

Dear Mr. Morisy:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking a copy of contracts with Booz Allen Hamilton, and any final reports generated and delivered by Booz Allen Hamilton to EPA over the past five years.

We informed you of the six factors required to support a request for a waiver of fee. We asked that you provide a written justification by March 25, 2013. We are denying your request for a waiver of fees because you have failed to respond to provide justification. EPA's Office of Administration and Resource Management (OARM) will respond to your information request. If the estimated cost exceeds \$25.00, OARM will contact you regarding the cost of processing your request and seek an assurance of payment. They will be unable to process your request until they receive your written assurance of payment.

Under the FOIA, you have the right to appeal this determination to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), E-mail: FOIA_HQ@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania

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Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the FOI number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Should you choose to appeal this determination, please be sure to fully address all factors required by EPA's FOIA Regulations, located at 40 C.F.R. § 2.107(l) in your appeal. If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,



Larry F. Gottesman
National FOIA Officer